



American Citizen Services Unit
U.S. Embassy Santo Domingo
Warden Message



TO: Consular Wardens
FROM: ACS Unit
DATE: August 30, 2006
SUBJECT: Outbreak of Dengue Fever

This Message is issued by the U.S. Embassy to alert American citizens residing in and traveling to the Dominican Republic to the Dominican Minister of Health's announcement of an outbreak of dengue fever.

During the period from June 25, 2006 through July 29, 2006, 1,800 cases of dengue were documented in the Dominican Republic.

To reduce the risk of contracting dengue, wear clothing that exposes as little skin as possible and apply a repellent containing the insecticide DEET (concentration 30 to 35 percent) or Picaridin (concentration 20 percent or greater for tropical travelers). Because of the increased risk of dengue fever and the ongoing risk of malaria in the Dominican Republic, practicing preventative measures is always a wise decision.

For further information on dengue fever, please visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's website at <http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dvbid/dengue>.

Americans living or traveling in the Dominican Republic are encouraged to register with the U.S. Embassy through the State Department's travel registration website, <https://travelregistration.state.gov>. **American citizens who have previously registered with the U.S. Embassy do not need to register again.**

For updated information on the security situation in the Dominican Republic, please contact the American Citizens

Services (ACS) Unit of the U.S. Embassy. The Consular Section Embassy is located at the corner of Cesar Nicolas Penson Street and Máximo Gómez Avenue, Santo Domingo, D.R.; telephone 809-731-4294; after hours emergency telephone 809-221-2171; ACS unit fax 809-689-6142; e-mail acssantodom@state.gov; web page www.usemb.gov.do.

Updated information on travel in Santo Domingo may be obtained from the Department of State by calling 1-888-407-4747 within the United States, or from overseas, 1-202-501-4444. For further information please consult the Consular Information Sheet for Santo Domingo, which is available via the Internet at <http://travel.state.gov>.